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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the last paragraph on page 6 of the specification with the following amended paragraph.

The ant deterring device 11 is provided with a center hole at 19 for interference fitting with the feeder hanging hook 31 or the mounting stem 41. It is desirable that the device 11 mounting hole 19 have some resilient elasticity to form a continuous contact point ~~[[of]]~~ or impassable barrier at the mounting point. The vinyl, Tyvek® and thin-flexible foam media may be preferred for the device 11 as they will provide for some elastic expansion and securing friction of the mounting hole 19. Thus, the ant deterring device 11 is provided with means for friction fitting the media elastically on a support for a nectar type bird feeder. An alternative configuration not shown, would use a flexible center grommet or other means to hold the ant deterring device 11 directly to the feeder hanging cord 47 or alternative feeder hanging hardware.